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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of : October 6, 2005  
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Serial No. 09/664,479 : Examiner: Tu Nguyen  
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Title: TELEPHONE NETWORK EDGE  
NODE DEVICE AND METHOD  
FOR BRIDGING AND PRIVACY

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2005 for the above-identified patent application, Applicant submits a Petition for Extension of time with fee authorization, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and the following:

**Amendments to the claims** as reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks/arguments** which begin on page 13.

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